

'HOT-SHOT' BECK SHOWS WAY

Wycombe Wanderers 4;
Oxford City 1.

SOME venomous shooting by left-half John Beck showed Wycombe Wanderers the delayed route to goal during their Smith Memorial Cup final with Oxford City at Loakes Park on Wednesday.

During a first half of sheer frustration for Wycombe fans City clung by their fingertips to a 0-0 scoreline, aided by some typically haywire Wycombe finishing.

But with Beck joining his forwards in some lively second half raiding Michael Rockell (2) and Cliff Trott (2) hammered four goals which might have been ten.

Dennis Syrett played bravely and well in the Oxford goal, stopping some scorching shots from his old colleagues, but with ten minutes to go he dislocated

a collar bone in a duel with Cliff Trott and had to doff his jersey.

TREMENDOUS DRIVE

The clever prompting of Paul Bates and Len Worley—"Up the reserves" shouted one sardonic supporter—was wasted until the 50th minute when Rockell tapped a simple goal from Bates' pass. Goodison equalised after 57 minutes but five minutes later Beck slammed a tremendous drive against the Oxford crossbar and Trott scored from the rebound.

Rockell added a third in the 75 minute from another Bates' move and Trott completed the rout after Syrett had been injured.

City — fielding ex-Wanderers Syrett, Mike Brown and Jimmy Truett in defence—disappointed. Ken Brown was rarely in difficulties but pick of the home defenders was undoubtedly the poised, polished Alistair Lewis at right-back.